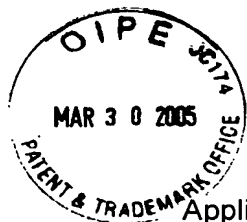


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Applicants: T. YOSHIOKA, et al

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METHOD OF PROVIDING SERVICES

Group: 3626

Examiner: A. G. Kalinowski

**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT  
AMENDMENT (37 CFR §1.121)**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

March 30, 2005

Sir:

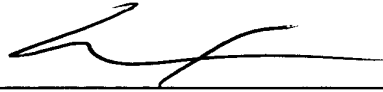
Applicants are in receipt of the March 24, 2005 Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR §1.121), wherein the Examiner indicated that the December 9, 2004 Amendment filed in response to the June 9, 2004 Office Action does not comply with the requirements of 37 CFR §1.121(c) in that the status of claim 12 appears to be improper.

In response to the Notice, Applicants are submitting on even date herewith a copy of the December 9, 2004 Amendment wherein claim 12 is canceled. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that examination of the present application based on claims 10, 14 and 16 proceed.

To the extent necessary, the applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment of fees, to the deposit account of MATTINGLY, STANGER, MALUR & BRUNDIDGE, P.C., Deposit Account No. 50-1417 (503.39354X00).

Respectfully submitted,

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**AMENDMENT**

**MS Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 9, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 9, 2004, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims**

**Remarks** are included following the amendments.